

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate met at 11:00:10 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:00:36 a.m. until 3 p.m., on Monday, October 31, 2011.

### Committee Meetings

(Committee not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 3269–3280; and 1 private bill, H.R. 3281 were introduced. **Pages H7159–60**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H7161**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Womack to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7137**

**Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities:** The House passed H.R. 674, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 405 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 815. **Pages H7139–43, H7149–51**

Rejected the Andrews motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 183 yeas to 235 noes, Roll No. 814. **Pages H7149–50**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in H. Rept. 112–261 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H7139**

H. Res. 448, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2576) and (H.R. 674) was agreed to yesterday, October 26th.

Pursuant to section 3 of the rule, in the engrossment of H.R. 674 the Clerk shall (1) add the text

of H.R. 2576, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 674; (2) conform the title of H.R. 674 to reflect the addition of the text of H.R. 2576, as passed by the House, to the engrossment; (3) assign appropriate designations to provisions within the engrossment; and (4) conform provisions for short titles within the engrossment. Upon the addition of the text of H.R. 2576 to the engrossment of H.R. 674, H.R. 2576 shall be laid on the table.

**Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs:** The House passed H.R. 2576, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 262 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 813. **Pages H7143–49**

H. Res. 448, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2576) and (H.R. 674) was agreed to yesterday, October 26th.

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 1 p.m. on Monday, October 31st. **Pages H7151, H7158**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7148–49, H7150, H7151. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### DOD'S ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Panel on Defense Financial Management and Auditability Reform held a hearing on DOD's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system implementation efforts. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth McGrath, Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense; Mark Lewis, Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Army; Eric Fanning, Deputy Undersecretary of the Navy and Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Navy; David Tillotson III, Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Air Force; and Asif A. Khan, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office.

### READINESS IN THE AGE OF AUSTERITY

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on readiness in the age of austerity. Testimony was heard from General Peter W. Chiarelli, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; Admiral Mark E. Ferguson III, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy; General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps; and General Philip M. Breedlove, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force.

### NONRESIDENT ALIEN DEPOSIT INTEREST INCOME

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Proposed Regulations to Require Reporting of Nonresident Alien Deposit Interest Income." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Afghanistan and Pakistan: Transition and the Way Forward." Testimony was heard from Hillary Rodham Clinton, Secretary, Department of State.

### EUROZONE CRISIS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia held a hearing entitled "The Eurozone Crisis: Destabilizing the Global Economy." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled "The Trafficking in Persons Report 2011: Truth, Trends, and Tier Rankings." Testimony was heard from Luis CdeBaca, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Robert O. Blake, Assistant Sec-

retary of State, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State; and Joseph Y. Yun, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 3012, the "Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

### GULF COAST RECOVERY

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Gulf Coast Recovery: President Obama's BP Compensation Fund, How Is It Working?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MARRIAGE PENALTY AND ITS IMPACT ON THE DEFICIT

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives held a hearing entitled "Examining Obamacare's Hidden Marriage Penalty and Its Impact on the Deficit." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management held a hearing entitled "Internal Control Weaknesses at the Department of Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from Peggy Sherry, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security; Robert West, Chief Information Security Officer, Department of Homeland Security; and John McCoy, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

### BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AMERICA'S NUCLEAR FUTURE

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight; and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a joint hearing entitled "Review of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future Draft Recommendations." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations held a hearing entitled "Misrepresentation and Fraud: Bad Actors in the Small Business Procurement Programs." Testimony was heard from Peggy E. Gustafson, Inspector